

the RIPPLE effect



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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



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Governing Board
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Welcome to *The Ripple Effect*, the South Florida Water Management District's monthly electronic newsletter that covers the latest water news — straight from the source.

June's District Governing Board. . .

It is magnificent to see firsthand the results of environmental restoration. That was the Governing Board's experience as we toured Naples Bay and Rookery Bay this month as part of our June meeting in Naples. These opportunities—to see what so many individuals are working so hard to achieve—are an important benefit of the South Florida Water Management District's commitment to hold Board meetings in local

Recent Rains Allow for 2 Days of Landscape Watering in South Miami-Dade, Monroe Counties

With significant wet season rains recharging water levels in the Biscayne Aquifer, the South Florida Water Management District Governing Board on June 11 eased landscape irrigation restrictions in south Miami-Dade and Monroe counties, allowing lawn watering two days a week... [more](#)

SFWMD Prepared for Hurricane Season: Are You?

On June 1, the South Florida Water Management District conducted its annual "Hurricane Freddy" exercise to once again test the agency's emergency operations response to and recovery from a catastrophic hurricane... [more](#)

In the News

- [SFWMD Takes Steps to Strengthen Everglades Restoration Partnership, Continue Picayune Strand Project](#)
- [Apple Snail Tag and Release Experiment Continues to Benefit Endangered Florida Bird](#)
- [Save it for Later, Alligator: Rain Gauges Save Water](#)
- [Small Game Hunting Authorized on 1,330 Acres of Vacant Public Land](#)

Water Drops

- [Up-to-the-Minute Weather Conditions...](#) [more](#)
- [Current Water Restrictions for Your Neighborhood...](#) [more](#)
- [What You Can Do to Save Water...](#) [more](#)
- [Reviving the River of Grass: About the U.S. Sugar Corporation Land Acquisition...](#) [more](#)

This Month in Photos

View restoration and water management images from around the District... [more](#)

Calendar

June 24

Water Resources Advisory Commission (WRAC)
Lake Okeechobee Committee Meeting
10 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

June 30

Quarterly Everglades Technical Oversight Committee Meeting
10 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

July 1

WRAC Issues Workshop
River of Grass Project Planning Phase I
10 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

July 2

WRAC Meeting
9 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

July 8

Governing Board Workshop
10 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

July 9

Governing Board Meeting
9 a.m., SFWMD Headquarters, West Palm Beach

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